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## ***SOUTH DAKOTA POULTRY RECEIPTS UP***

**SIOUX FALLS, April 28, 2008** -- The **value of egg production** in South Dakota during 2007 was \$51.4 million, up 95 percent from the \$26.3 million in 2006, according to the South Dakota office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Producers received an average **73.2 cents per dozen**, up from the previous year's 36.5 cents per dozen. This doubling of egg prices resulted in the large increase in value of egg production.

**Egg production** in 2007 was estimated at 843 million, down 22 million, or 3 percent, from the previous year. **Chicken deaths and other losses** were down 14 percent from one year ago.

South Dakota producers raised 4.5 million **turkeys** in 2007, up 300,000 head from 2006, an increase of 7 percent. The **value** of this production was \$72.8 million in 2007, up \$11.3 million from \$61.4 million in 2006. **Pounds** produced in 2007 totaled 169.2 million, up 7 percent from the 157.5 million pounds produced in 2006.

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